

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT  
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

State of Colorado

METHODS OF ASSURING TRANSPORTATION

The Colorado Medicaid Program provides non-emergent medical transportation as an administrative expense.

The state designated entity shall assure necessary NEMT services covered by the Colorado Medical Assistance Program for clients who have no other means of transportation. The state designated entity can be either county departments of human/social services or a designated broker. Payment will be made for the least expensive transportation suitable to the client's condition. The distance to be traveled, transportation and treatment facilities available and the physical condition and welfare of the client shall all determine the type of NEMT authorized.

The type of transportation available may vary by region because of availability and/or a rural, rather than an urban location. Medical transportation reimbursement shall include personal vehicle, ambulance and other forms of public and private conveyance, including mobility vehicle, wheelchair van, bus, train and air. The Colorado Medical Assistance Program shall establish the reimbursement rate for this administrative expense based upon the annual legislative appropriation.

Colorado Medicaid contracts with EPSDT contractors who are available to educate and assist children and families with transportation needs.